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IN THE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: SYSTEMIC IMMUNE RESPONSE INDUCED BY MUCOSAL
ADMINISTRATION OF LIPID-TAILED POLYPEPTIDES WITHOUT
ADJUVANT:

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated December 3, 2002, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown in the marked-up copy to read as follows:

26. (Amended) A composition consisting essentially of a lipopeptide comprising the sequence of LSA3-NRII Ac-LEESQVNDDIFNSLVKSVQQEQQHNVK(PAM)NH2 (SEQ ID NO:2), capable of inducing an immune systemic response specific to said sequence when administered via a mucosal route without adjuvant.

30. (Amended) A composition consisting essentially of a lipopeptide comprising the sequence of LSA1-J Ac-ERRAKEKLQEQQSDLEQRKADTKKK(PAM) (SEQ ID NO:3), capable of inducing an immune systemic response specific to said sequence when administered via a mucosal route without adjuvant.